

# MOLINE'S SECTION OF THE ARGUS

## REAL ESTATEMEN PLAN FOR SPRING

Marked Increase in Business Is Expected by Members of Moline Exchange—Meet at Hotel.

### IMPROVEMENTS ARE OUTLINED

**Mayor M. R. Carlson Names Projects**  
Will Be Undertaken This Year—Will Widens Fifth Avenue.

That the coming of spring will bring an increase in many business more noticeable than was the case last spring, is the belief entertained by Moline real estate men. They are looking forward to an unusually prosperous season.

Accomplishments of the last year were reviewed by members of the Moline Real Estate Exchange at a meeting last evening in the Manufacturers hotel. Plans for the future were made. Mayor M. R. Carlson was present and gave an outline of what may be expected during 1917 in the way of public improvements. The mayor enumerated the many projects that are in contemplation, discussed the proposed extension of the street railway system and dwelt at length on the Moline avenue widening job. The widening position, he said, is assured and expects that actual work on the improvement will be started not later in August of 1917.

**Property Assessed.**  
Property condemned in a friendly suit instituted by the city has been assessed by the commission appointed to determine the benefits to property owners and the assessments confirmed by the court last fall. Until the assessment is met interest at 6 per cent will have to be paid to the city. On June 12 the assessments aren't if the property will be sold. The voter does not believe that any property will default. One real estate agent called attention to the wide Twelfth street, Chicago, where some places necessitated the tall buildings 12 feet. The project was started about the time as was the Moline widening, is now completed, while work here probably will not get until next August.

It was served preceding the and transaction of business.

**CITY LUTHERANS  
ANNUAL MEETING**

Financial reports of the organization within the congregation of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church, given at the annual meeting held last showed balances as follows: \$64 cents; Luther League, \$5 Sunday school, \$78.67; Trinity \$3.75; Men's society, \$14.50. A. T. Tidwell, who has held office only since Aug. 1, made upon the five months' period, performed three marriage ceremonies and baptized 13 persons. Three of the congregation died. A vacation during the coming winter will be taken by the pastor and delegates for the year ended as follows:

**Secretary of congregation—A. G. Larson.**

**Editors—Theodore Weigandt and C. Herman.**

**Deacons—C. C. Herman and Theodore Weigandt, for three years.**

**Trustees—N. O. W. Johnson and R. L. Tolino, for three years; John G. Schillinger and R. A. Samuelson, for two years.**

**Delegate to Illinois conference—A. G. Carlson; alternate, N. O. W. Johnson.**

**Delegate to English Association of Lutheran Churches—C. C. Herman; alternate, Roy Seiple.**

**Delegate to Rock Island district—Roy Seiple; alternate, E. E. Engdahl.**

**Delegate to synod—R. A. Samuelson; alternate, E. E. Johnson.**

**Organist—Miss Oiga Edin.**

**Choir—R. A. Samuelson, Franklin W. Winfield Holmgren, R. L. Tolino.**

**STEEL MILL WORKER  
HAS NARROW ESCAPE**

George Avery, an employee of the plant of the Republic Iron and Steel company, narrowly escaped having his life crushed out under a load of rails by the breaking of a traveling crane this morning. As it was, his scalp was cut open and he was unconscious for a short time. He was removed to the Moline city hospital and attended by Dr. A. H. Arp. Avery was unloading rails from a car when the crane broke. The load was only about five feet in the air, which was a fortunate circumstance.

**MEIDKE IS PARTNER  
IN BOTTLING WORKS**

Announcement is made by August Meidke that he has acquired a half ownership in the Star Bottling Works at 236 First street. He has purchased the interest of B. E. Johnson, silent partner in the business for a number of years, and yesterday he assumed active management with John Mueller, long the guiding spirit of the concern.

Mr. Mueller will continue in active charge of the plant manufacturing the concern's line of soda water and ginger ale.

**Ooroo  
Every Night  
For Constipation  
Headache, Indigestion, etc.**

**BRANDRETH PILLS  
are and Sure**

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Grace Woodrow, 2507 Sixth avenue, has gone for a week's visit to Chicago.

Miss Daisy Windship, 2309 Sixth avenue, has returned home after a holiday visit to Canton, Ill.

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Miss Goldie Barber, 1916 Sixth avenue, and Miss Marie Christopher of Urbana, who has been her guest, returned Tuesday to Champaign, where they will resume their studies at the University of Illinois.

Miss Nellie H. Williams and daughter Pearl of Los Angeles, Cal., are visiting Mrs. Belle H. Morgan, 1223 Fourth street.

Interesting figures were given by the treasurer of the Moline Mutual Fire Insurance company at the annual meeting of the company stockholders at Turner hall last evening. He reported that practically three million dollars in insurance is now held in the company by 516 policy owners. The total amount of insurance in force is \$2,200,000.

During the year losses paid amounted to \$1,949.56. This makes the total of losses paid since organizing \$15,167.47.

**Mission Society Officers.**

Missionary society of Plymouth Congregational church, East Moline, met yesterday in the home of Mrs. J. H. Long and the following officers were elected:

**President—Mrs. W. T. Adams**

**Vice president—Mrs. T. E. Van Meeteren.**

**Secretary—Mrs. C. J. Berenson**

**Treasurer—Mrs. J. H. Long.**

The next meeting will be with Mrs. D. Long, Jan. 29.

**Waterloo-East Moline W. C. T. U.**

held an interesting and helpful meeting yesterday with the president, Mrs. E. Cox, and plans were laid for the work of the year. Mrs. Wolverton was taken in as a member. Rev. J. M. Osborne gave an encouraging talk and it was decided to hold a temperance meeting in Waterloo Baptist church Feb. 11, when a reading and musical program will be furnished by the union and an address will be given by E. W. James of Gatesburg. The meeting adjourned to Feb. 6.

**Mr. Esther Noyes, Miss Marie Neves and her cousins, the Misses Alma and Selma Johnson of Chicago, visited in the home of Mrs. A. P. Brandt and family over the New Year holiday season.**

**Ahrberg-David.**

Saturday morning, Dec. 30, 1916, at St. Mary's church rectory occurred the marriage of Miss Mary Louise David, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. David of 201 Thirteenth avenue and Fred Ahrberg, son of Mrs. Anna Olsberg of this city. The Rev. Kelly performing the ceremony. Immediately after the wedding the young people left for a short wedding trip to the west. They will be at home after Feb. 1 to their friends at 1215 Third street, Moline.

**LUTHERANS TO HOLD  
ENGLISH SERVICES**

Services in English will be held every month from now on at the First Swedish Lutheran church, according to decision reached at the annual meeting yesterday of the congregation of that church.

Services in English are to be held the second and last Sunday evenings of each month. In the past it has been customary to have one English service during the month.

Membership of the church is now comprised of 982 adult members and 502 children, according to the report submitted by Rev. A. E. Bergstrom, pastor. During the year 15 children were baptized whose parents are members of the church, 15 whose parents are not members. The 1916 confirmation class had 17 members. Ten new members were received during the year by letter, 14 by confession. Twenty-two members died during the year.

**BREAKS HIS ANKLE.**

Frank Peterson, driver of an ice wagon in East Moline, broke his ankle Monday in a fall on a slippery path. He was taken to the East Moline police station, where his injury was attended by Dr. E. A. Sontz, later being removed to the Moline city hospital.

**Christmas Festival.**

Danish Brotherhood No. 5 held annual Christmas festival and dance in K. P. Hall. New Year's eve when more than 150 dances enjoyed a great time. About fifty children were in the company and after circling around the Christmas tree with its beautiful decorations, they were served with hot chocolate and cakes and a real live Santa Claus presented each with a bag of candy. The grownups danced both the old and new dances and at both hour refreshments were served. Both the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges have gained in membership during the last year and several promising entertainments are on the program for this winter.

**Idiawyle club, scheduled to meet yesterday with Mrs. DeEtte Pombert, decided that Jan. 2 was a little too early in the year to begin regular social club activities and so decided to postpone the gathering for a week. Mrs. Pombert will be hostess to the members next Tuesday afternoon at the G. S. Lowe home.**

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**Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. Little Deere chapter, will**

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**with Mrs. William Butterworth, vice**

**president general from Illinois. This**

**will be the anniversary meeting of the**

**chapter, always a very delightful af-**

**fair.**

**Gordon Memorial advisory board**

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### MUTUAL POLICIES FURNISHED 2,163

Three Million in Insurance Now Held  
By Persons Interested in Moline  
Fire Insurance Company.

### STOCKHOLDERS HAVE MEETING

Word "Storm" in the By-Laws is Eliminated—Three Directors Elected  
to Serve Next Three Years.

### MOLINE OBITUARY

John C. Wright.

John C. Wright, resident of

Moline 20 years ago and a member of

the Lincoln camp, Modern Woodmen

of America, died Dec. 21 in Santa Bar-

bbara, Calif., aged 78. He is survived by

the widow, Mary S. Wright, and four

sons and daughters, Mrs. Stella Tur-

ner, Miss Mabel Wright and E. B.

Wright, all of Santa Barbara, and Ben-

jamin F. Wright of Los Angeles. Fun-

eral services and burial took place at

Santa Barbara.

### MAY EXCLUDE 40 IN SCHOOLS HERE

No to Enter High at Opening of Sec-  
ond Semester If Tuition Re-

mains Unpaid.

### £3,300 IS STILL DUE THE BOARD

Possible That Misunderstandings Will  
Be Cleared Away at Meeting